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Locations by square are given according to Stadtplan von Libau (Lepaya), 1:10,000, 1941.

1. The seaplane base in Lepaya was located between the Naval Harbor Canal and the Northern Mole (Stadtplan von Libau (Lepaya), 1:10,000, 1941, square B-3).¹ The only hangars at the base were those built prior to the Soviet occupation in 1941. The three or four seaplanes based at Lepaya rarely appeared in flight over the city. They attracted more attention than the MIGs when they did fly.
2. A floating crane capsized in the Naval Harbor Canal in the fall of 1952.² Previously unseen high-ranking naval officers appeared on the scene, including several vice-admirals and four or five rear-admirals. Source assumed that these officers lived somewhere in the Naval Harbor.
3. A Latvian worker in the repair shop of the Lepaya Ship Machine-Building Plant No. 29 disappeared around 1947. The Soviets assumed that he had fled abroad, and they immediately changed the anchorages of all naval vessels in the Naval Harbor. The man was later found robbed and murdered.
4. DOSFLOT owned a building once belonging to the Jewish Yachting Club at the southeast corner of Attakas Island in Lepaya Lake (square G-5/6).
5. [] these taking part in DOSAAF courses assembled at the Voenkomat building in Veclepya. Persons over 45 years of age did not have to attend these courses, but adolescents not yet drafted did take these courses. Source did not know where these courses were held. The first draft was believed to have taken place in 1949; no Latvians were enrolled in the Soviet armed forces during the first two or three years of the Soviet occupation.
6. A military camp was located between Dobeles (N 56-37, E 23-15) and Saldus (N 56-41, E 22-29), on both sides of the Lepaya (N 56-31, E 21-01)-Jelgava (N 56-39, E 23-43) highway. It was between Lielbērze (N 56-35, E 23-15) and the Gardene (N 56-35, E 23-15) railroad station. A sanatorium, probably the Lielbērze Sanatorium, was located about 100 m off the highway. Special safety conditions, indicated by ten km per hour speed limit signs, were in effect on the highway, east and west of the area.

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7. The bridge over the Venta River at Skrunda (N 56-45, E 22-05) was guarded. This bridge carried both railroad and motor vehicle traffic.
8. There were at least 1,000 soldiers stationed at the Paplaka (N 56-26, E 21-27) post, and it was thought that they were infantry. The barracks, located in the Kazu Birze forest between Paplaka and Lubaskrogs in the north, were recently enlarged and had several farms added.³ Anti-aircraft batteries and radar of the type at the Dzintarnieki farm were located here.⁴ Besides the large radar mounted on the bed of a truck, there were also smaller radar installations about 30 cm high, mounted on towers about five m high; they were dispersed among the trees near the barracks. Hunting was permitted only in the dense fir and pine forest between Lubaskrogs and Apses, located about two km south of Lubaskrogs. A large construction project was observed in this area in the fall of 1952. As a result, the road from Lubaskrogs to Pērlī, located about three km south of Lubaskrogs, was open only to military transportation. Tank tracks about 40 cm wide were observed in this area.
9. [] in December 1952 a recently-built, large military parking lot and fuel base, located about 200 m north of the Priekule (N 56-27, E 21-35) railroad station. New military barracks were to be built here. Most of the town and all of the houses between the railroad station and the base were destroyed during World War II.
10. In the fall of 1951 [] soldiers laying foundations for new buildings, presumably barracks, between the railroad station and about 0.5 km south of the school in Vainode (N 56-25, E 21-45). [] large-scale military construction was in progress in Vainode and Paplaka.
1. [] Comment: A single-engine patrol boat has been reported patrolling the area ten miles off Pape (N 56-14, E 21-04) and then disappearing toward Lepaya [] but according to other available information, there is no known Soviet naval air unit in this area.
2. [] Comment: [] a floating dock sank at the shipyard in January 1952, and four vice-admirals visited the scene.
3. [] Comment: The Paplaka military barracks are located in square F-3 on [] Lepaya; Geodetic-Topographic Section, Army Staff (Latvia), 1:200,000, 1940 ed.
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